

**Approved 06/13/2013**

**Exeter Fire District**

**(May 30, 2013)**

**Call to Order**

**District Clerk, Bill Nievera, called the May 30th meeting of the Exeter Fire District to order at 7:02pm. All commissioners were present. Ms. MacDonald, district treasurer, was also present. There were 20 members of the public in attendance.**

### **Public Comment**

**There was no comment from the public. However, Mr. Nievera stated that although several rumors were circulating within the town, it is not now, nor has it ever been, the intent of this board to disband or dissolve the Exeter Rescue Corps. Several commissioners voiced their agreement with Mr. Nievera's statement.**

### **Election of Officers**

**The election of officers was tabled until the June 13th meeting.**

**Following a brief discussion covering meeting requirements Mr. Rooney moved (Mr. Chappell second) appointing Mr. Nievera as acting chair until the election of officers can take place. The motion carried 6 – 0 with Mr. Nievera abstaining.**

## **Treasurer's Report**

**Ms. MacDonald reported a beginning balance of \$417,325.86 as of March 8. Activity within the accounts brings the balance to \$260,443.81 as of May 8, 2013. Mr. Nievera has compared the report of the treasurer with the bank statements and is satisfied with its accuracy. Mr. Aker moved (Mr. Franklin second) accepting the report of the treasurer. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Mr. Nievera gave a brief report on the status of collections to date as well as the upcoming tax sale. He noted that there were currently 12 lots on the tax sale list, down from approximately 80.**

## **Previous Month's Minutes**

**Mr. Franklin moved (Mr. Aker second) acceptance of the minutes of the March 14th meeting. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Nievera will re-circulate these minutes and file them with the Secretary of State's office at his earliest convenience.**

## **Communications**

**Mr. Nievera reported that all operational mail has been given to the treasurer for her action.**

## **Old Business**

**There was no old business discussed.**

## **New Business**

**Chief Dennis Colacone read a letter which explained his plan to operate the Rescue Corps within the \$400,000 limit set by the annual meeting. Chief Colacone's letter detailed the concessions being made by the union employees for one year. His letter continues "the employees expect to be made whole on 06/30/2014." Additional cut backs include eliminating the chief's stipend and the truck fund for this year. He has also adjusted the coverage stating that the full time employees would be limited to a 40 hour work week. Per-diems would be used heavily to round out the coverage. The letter went on to state that there would be no overtime. He additionally recommended Chief Roddy Jordan to take over as chief of the Exeter Rescue for a period of 6 mos. in an effort to bring stability to the organization. It is chief Colacone's intent to step down as chief of the Exeter Rescue Corps.**

**There was discussion concerning the transfer of equipment should the Rescue Corps cease to exist in its current form. Mr. Caito was unsure as to how equipment would be handled.**

**There was also a question concerning the amount of savings held in deposit by the rescue corps. That question could not be answered as the treasurer was not in attendance.**

## **Next Meeting**

**The next regular meeting of the board of commissioners will be held on 06/13/2013. The meeting will be held in the program room of the Exeter Public Library and will begin at 7:00pm.**

### **Adjournment**

**Mr. Chappell moved (Mr. Franklin second) adjournment at 8:26 pm. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Bill Nievera, Clerk  
Exeter Fire District**